MEMPHIS, TENN., FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

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Third Ward Appraisal Completed by State Board Shows Increase Less Than Average of 358.

Although the increased valuation made by the state appraisers in the downtown business district may seem seavy in comparison with former state and county assessment figures, the increase insofar as the figures are available, indicates that they are far below the average increase made in most of the farming counties.

Figures for 53 counties published resently showed a total increase in those bounties from the present assessment of 355 per cent.

The figures for the Third ward have use been tabulated by W. T. Condon,

building. Main and Jefferson, \$154,000, appraised at \$312,000. Evans, west side Main, corner assessed at \$148,000; appraised

Third, assessed at \$23,500; raised

ORSI MAY DIE.

Fred Orsi, Illinois Central special agent, who was shot twice through the stomach Christmas eve, is still in serious condition at St. Joseph's hospital, where he was taken, following the shooting. Orsi was shot when he flared his flashlight in a negro's face.

LAUNDRY MAN HURT. Lee Trout, laundry wagon driver, was severely cut about the head Thursday night when he was hit and knocked down by a street car at Main attest and Commerce avenue. J. T. Tate was motormup of the car. Trout was taken to the General hospital.

FRENCH LOAN SUCCESS.

NPW YORK, Dec. 26.—France's na-ional credit loan was oversubscribed or he first day, necording to cable ad-ices received here today from Paris by

east portion.

Arkansas—Cloudy, colder, below freezing; Saturday generally fair, colder in east and south portions.

Oklahoma—Generally fair, colder, below freezing; Saturday fair.

Extreme Northwest Florida, Alabama Mississippi Fair; somewhat colder Sat urday; light frost in exposed places. East Texas—Colder except on immediate coast, freezing in the interior Saturday generally fair, colder in east and south portions; moderate south to northwest winds on the coast.

West Texas-Fair somewhat coider; Saturday fair. Virginia—Partly cloudy and wagmer Saturday fair. North Carolina-Fair; warmer.

Kentucky-Fair, not much change in South Carolina-Fair, warmer.

Georgia-Generally fair, warmer in cast and south portions. Florida-Generally fair, warmer in

Lawson May Throw Light On Diamond

Delegations to Supreme Council Conference Due Monday. Germany Thinks Terms in Force Without Ratification.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Conferences will egin here early next week between filled and German delegates on meas-

BERLIN PUBLISHES ALLIES' NOTE REPLY

BERLIN, Dec. 26, (via Basel.)—The

Believe This If You Want To, But Refrain From Betting On It

other born with a smail reaction time interwoven with this is psychological reaction time, or quiex and slow wit-tedness. "If he is symetrically formed, has the

"If he is symetrically formed, has the average amount of courage, a sound heart and lungs, and has mastered the art of boxing, a heavyweight of 12 stone (168 nounds) with a small physical and psychological "reaction time has safficient muscular power to defeat a man with a fairly hig "reaction time," whatever the latter's size and reach may be There is not a sizedow of doubt that Carpentier possesses an abnormally small "reaction time," physically and mentally."

MEMPHIS LEADS IN SIZE OF BUSINESS

Memphis leads all other cities of the and several of the North of like proportions in volume of business done for the week ended Dec. 17, as indicated by the Federal Reserve bank report of cheeks charged against individual accounts.

Memphis' volume was \$45,599,000; Athania, \$39,949,000; Nashville, \$28,718,000; Birmingham, \$16,186,000; Richmond, \$18,113,000; Toledo, \$34,795,000; Columbus, O. \$32,736,000; Rochester, N. V. \$33,794,000; Indianapolis, Ind., \$37,806,000; and Louisville, Ky., \$41,348,000.

ROBILIOS FINISH SERVING THEIR TIME

and Louis Rebillo, convicted of tion of the Reed amendment, and y Langley, convicted of violation of nternal revenue laws and commit-o the county jail for a period of conth hast July, were released Fri-beling given one mouth of grace three of the for good behavior.

All three of the defendants appealed their convictions from the federal court at Memphis, the circuit court of appeals sustaining the lower court.

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ALCOHOL BURGLARS MAKE RETURN TRIP

Burglars, who liked the alcohol so well that a return trip was deemed necessary, again robbed Witsell Bros. Manufacturing company, 363 North Sec-ond street Christmas night. north portion.

Louisiana—Cloudy, warmer in southcast portion, colder in northwest portion, freezing in north portion; Saturday unsettled weather, colder in north
and west portions, light to moderate
southerly winds on the coast, becoming
northwest Saturday.

Manufacturing company, 362 North Second street Christmas night.

The latest raid on the extract manufacturers' stock netted about 20 gallons
for spiritus vini rect. which was carried away in extract lugs which were
emutied by the thieves. The first
robbery netted the robbers three barreis of alcohol.

Wanted for Bank Theft, Marine Freed, Decorated

BOSTON, Leec 26.—How Arthur E. Abbott, long wanted as a fugitive from justice for the theft of \$15,000 from the Federal Trust company, of this city, enfisted in the marines, and as Sergt. William H. Haskell was cited for brilliant war service, was disclosed today when it was announced he would be set free on probation by the district attorney and that he had received the Croix de Guerre officially under his right name.

Abbott who was employed as a bank bookkeeper at \$20 a week disappeared in the fall of 1917 after the bank loss became known and it was learned he had been living like a man of wealth and leisure away from his famity. He evaded a nation-wide search for him and collisted in the marine corps at New Orleans as Haskell and went overseas with the Sixth regiment. He was drawn up at attention.

Served on Mexican Border and in France Under Col. Luke Lea-Will Take Special Course in Policing.

Music And Jou Reign At Banquet At The Orpheum

bad voice and did not sing. Neither did Munager J. A. Bertram. But they did read messages of good cheer and greeting from Martin Boak and all the higher ups who wished Orpheum employes, friends and patrons the hap-

R. R. MACHINISTS AGAINST RAIL BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Ninety-eight per cent of the 125,000 union rap-way machinists voted in November to strike with other trades in the event strike with other trades in the event congress canaded the Cummins railroad bill with its antistrike provision. In making this announcement today william H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, and the vote was taken before the sen ate interstate commerce committee reported out the Cummins measure, and that the result was not afficially published because the association did not want to appear in the attitude of attempting to threaten congress.

President Johnston explained that the strike vote stipulated that union railway machinists would quit work if the Cummins bill was passed by but but the congress, not by one.

"When the roads were taken over by the government the employes were free;" Mr. Johnston said, "and we propose that if they are turned back to private ownership, the employes shall be equally free. There is no necessatt for such drastic legislation as is provided for in the Cummins bill. There hever has been a general railroad strike.

BRISTOL, Tenn. Dec. 25.

The Swadley-Galloway Co. Inc. sale grecery dealers, with a stock of \$100,000, has organized with the cummins bill. There hever has been a general railroad strike.

This new firm will occupy the land will begin business on Jan. This new firm will occupy the land of the corner of Common.

so far as labor officials are advised to will not be given another hearing by senate or house, committees, but they ill keep up the fight against the anti-rike Section. It was said, and appeal naily to President Wilson to veto the Ill if it should be emeted with that ause intact. clause intact.

President Johnston sald no other trades that would be affected by the antistrike section of the bill had taken a vote so far as he had been advised.

SOUSA TO ADDRESS **CHAMBER'S FORUM**

John Philip Sousa, America's premier director, of brass bands, will be the guest of bonor and address the weekly forum of the Chimber of commerce at a luncheon at 12 36 o'clock Friday, Jan. 2. The famous handmaster has been a world traveler and is said to be an exceedingly clever after dinner speaker. The members who attend the forum, accordingly, are expected to receive a rare treat. Sousa will be in Memphis primarily to give a concert at the Goodwyn inati-

FIGHT RAGES BETWEEN BOLSHEVIKI AND POLES

IRKUTSK, Dec. 26. (By the Associated Press.)—Trygve R. Hansen, United States vice-consul at Omsk, and Joseph H. Ray, consul at Irkutsk, have safely passed Taiga, 47 miles southeast of Tomsk, together with Red Cross

MAIL CATCHES FIRE.

Several parcel post packages were slightly burned Friday morning when a Ford truck leaded with packages caught fire in the yard adjacent to the post-office. An alarm turned in at fire headquarters brought downtown apparatus to the scene and the fire was extinguished before serious damage was done, No mail was lost

Missing at Wedding, Mc

Defense Will Stress Insanity Plea for Senator's Son. Many Witnesses Called

men Boy Of Twelve. Loved By Two, Would Suicide

WHITMEL KEARNEY

WHOLESALE GROCERY

BRISTOL, Tenn. Dec. 26. (Spl.) The Swadley-Galloway Co., Inc., whol sale grocery dealers, with a cotock of \$100,000, has organized and will begin business on Jan. 1, 1920.
This new firm will occupy the Gouge building on the corner of Commonwealth avenue and State street, it is stated.
The officers of the firm are: Hunter H. Galloway, president; Jake Hewley, vice-president, and R. A. Swadley, socstellar transfer. retary-treasurer.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BOY WORKS IN GOTHAM BANK

BLUT MOUNTAIN, Miss. Dec 26, (Sei) - Burress Fewler, of Blue Mountain, son of a local ratiroad foreman, has achieved the distinction of securing a position in the National City bank, of New York, reputed to be the wealthiest bank of the nation. Young Fowler, who recently received his honorable discharge from the army, is employed in the bond department of the Vanderlip Institution. He will return to New York city after the helidays.

NEGRO SENTENCED TO DIE ESCAPES FROM JAIL

OKOLONA, Miss., Doe 28, (Sol.)—Charles Williams, negro, sentenced to die for the nurder of a negro woman and her baby last year, escaped from the jall in this city yesterday evening about dark.

A friend on the outside of the jail furnished a saw by which Williams effected his escape. He has not been recaptured yet.

LUMBERMAN IS AGAIN MADE GRANDFATHER

A telegram announcing that he is again a grandfather, was received by Earl Palmer, president of the Ferguson & Palmer Lumber company. Friday morning from his son, Raymond Palmer, who resides in the state of Massachusetts. It's a girl.

TRAIN AT BIRMINGHAM.

PHILADELPHIA, Duc. 26.—The Phil adelphia National league baseball team will train next spring at Birmingham. Ala., according to an announcement to-day from President Eaker's office. The squad will leave here the last week in Pebruary. About 30 players will make the trip.

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The bamuer Friday night will be eminine Public Wood, of the New York Life des, Selections we distributed approximate we distributed with the distributed approximate we distributed approximate the distribu

We had about 23 mr L AFTER-CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE SALES OF one of our men are all back now IN-VALUE-GIVING—INVARIABLY GIVING A

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RESTS IN ELMWOOD

The funeral of Whitnel Kearney, former president of the Memphis Limber company and member of the board ber company and member of the board of stewards of the Memphis Limber company and member of the board of stewards of the Memphis Limber company and member of the board of stewards of the Memphis Limber company and member of the board of stewards of the Memphis Limber company and member of the board of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis are soon as trained of stewards of the Memphis Limber of parcel post mail for the residence, 1374 Court avenue, at 150 clock Prints, uporting.

E. H. Killin, superintendent of inside the superintendent of mails in the Memphis postoffice, stated Friday morning that deliveries were being made just as fast as possible, but that with the number of parcel now on hand and to be broughly to Memphis and Friday and Friday and Priday and Friday and Frid

NEGRO GETS HABIT OF SHOOTING KINFOLKS

Ed Jones must have been real mad, according to reports which the police department received Christmas night. The beginning and outgoing mail for the christmas senson will exceed by 50 per cent any previous year in the history of the Memphis office. Present indications are that we will street. Ed began shooting Abbie her brother's house at rear 1095 Texas street. Ed began shooting Abbie stopped one bullet with a thigh, and so did Nola Jackson, who happened to be in the bouse. Both women were treated at the General hospital. Ed escaped.

Will Help Hubby Dispose Of Harem



MRS. ROBERT MILEAN

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When the news was flashed around the country that Robert McLean, a t'alflornian, had been wified a harem of 40 wives by the bultan of Llang-Llang and that McLean was going there to
look it over, the masculine world exclaimed.

"Oh, boy.

But now comes word that Mrs. Robert McLean is going with him.

That's different,
Llang-Llang is an island in the
southern Philippines. McLean was
adopted by the sultan of the little country six years ago and when the sultan
died several months ago he bequeathed
the country, consisting of three square
miles of trritory and 2,369 people, and
his barem of 40 wives to the American.

Mrs. McLean was secretly married
to McLean a year ago. Mrs. McLean was a

parties.

The provisions outlined were more represely antici-The pravisions outlined were more generous than was generally anticipated, and indeed come very near to meeting in important particulars what I wrete last week would be essential to any hone of the bill ever getting through parliament.

The joint council is to be elective. It cannot be called an brish parliament, but it can be converted into an irish parliament without further registration at Westminster the moment united by land is willing.

Notwithstanding for Edward Carson's importance desiration that he would

Notwithstunding for Edward Carson's immediate declaration that he would not even discuss the proposal in Uniter mill be saw it in black and white, the possibility of beinging Ulster into such a parliament would appear more reasonable if the government made the Uniter state legislature area the whole of the nine counties instead of the six homogeneous counties and the agree mindering of the Protostant section of the three remaining so-called conterminous counties.

This other arrangement would give a strong minority to the Catholics, who ought not to have difficulty is gaining enough support almong the Proteslants to unity treband before the evils of partition have been felt.

any attempt toward secession on the part of Ireland would be treated as the Northern states of America treated the

ENGLAND LEVIES EXPORT DUTY ON FINE ARTS

LONDON, Due 25. (By Reciprocal News Fervice)—For some time there has been considerable alarm evinced in the English press at the number of art treisures by old masters that have been falling into American hands. Either at private sales or at auctions, the bidding of rich Americans has topped the offers of British collectors, and masterpieces have been steadily moving across the Atlantic.

This was recently called to the attention of the government by a sharp question in the house of commons to which the chancellor of the exchange replied that a protective export duty would be imposed cheerfully if, it seemed to have general approval.

The chancellor sugrested a duty on old mosters, not on the works of living or lately deceased artists, and he would make it heavy enough to piscourage foreign buyers, at the same time creating a fund by which the nation could acquire great works for public collections from which they would never again set into private hands and then be liable to sale shroad.

It is a question if the British artists

again feet into provide hands and then be liable to sale abroad.

It is a question if the British artists will tavor the proposed duty, as it would have a tendency to keep Ameri-can buyers away from England, where for years the enthusastic rich collectors from the United States have kept prices a high level. Contemporary art has from the United States have kept prices at a high level. Contemporary art has shared in the prosperity; the London exhibitions have been as faithfully pat-tonized by Americans as the auctions of old massiers, although Joshua Rey-nolds. Whistier, Romney, Holbein and the others have been the magnets.

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RILLE MOUNTAIN, Miss. Pec. [6]
(Spl.)—M. P. L. Berry, son of Mrs. II
E. Berry, of this blace, under whose
firection Hillman college, Clatica, Miss.
has made such splendld progress, hishas made such spl

Wilson,

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A charge of forgery against J. G. regory, 18, printer, 120 Beale avenue,

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esuit is a besutiful and in every way satisfactory product.

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